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HB 2498: COVID-19; vaccination requirements; prohibition Sponsor: Representative Hoffman, LD 12

Transmitted to the Governor

Overview

Prohibits a government entity from requiring a resident of this state to receive a vaccination for COVID-19 or any variant of COVID-19.

<u>History</u>

Statute specifies that if an employer receives notice from an employee that the employee's sincerely held religious beliefs, practices or observances prevent the employee from receiving the COVID-19 vaccination, the employer must provide reasonable accommodation unless the accommodation would pose an undue hardship and more than a negligible financial cost to the employer's business operations (A.R.S. § 23-206).

Provisions

- 1. Stipulates that any government entity may not require an Arizona resident to receive a vaccination for COVID-19 or any variant of COVID-19. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Specifies that the prohibition of a government entity to require a resident of this state to receive a vaccination for COVID-19 or any variant of COVID-19 does not apply to a health care institution that is owned or operated by a government entity in this state. (Sec. 1)
- 3. Defines government entity. (Sec. 1)

| ☐ Prop 105 (45 votes) | ☐ Prop 108 (40 votes) | ☐ Emergency (40 votes) | ☐ Fiscal Note | |
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